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E.O. 11652: N/A
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SUBJECT: SITUATION REPORT ON ARUN GAS WELL BLOWOUT

REF: MEDAN 192

1. MOBIL HAS ORGANIZED A TASK FORCE THAT INCLUDES SOME 400 EXTRA PEOPLE BROUGHT IN FROM ABROAD TO ASSIST IN THE EFFORT TO STOP THE WELL HEAD FIRE. RED ADAIR IS AT ARUN FIELD RECEIVING EQUIPMENT HE ORDERED FROM THE STATES WHICH IS BEING SENT BY C-130 AIRCRAFT TO SINGAPORE AND BARGED TO ARUN FIELD. THE FIRST RELIEF WELL

IS NOW AT A DEPTH OF 9,000 FEET GOING TOWARDS 11,000 OR 12,000 FEET AND MOBIL OFFICIALS AND ADAIR BELIEVE THERE IS AN OUTSIDE CHANCE THAT WITH THIS WELL AND ADAIR'S EQUIPMENT THE WELLHEAD FIRE CAN BE STOPPED. DRILLING EQUIPMENT FOR TWO OTHER RELIEF WELLS, IN CASE THEY ARE STILL NEEDED, HAS NOT YET ARRIVED.

2. MOBIL REMAINS CONFIDENT THAT THE FIRST NATURAL GAS LIQUIFICATION TRAIN WILL OPEN AUGUST 1 ON SCHEDULE USING NATURAL GAS FROM THE STILL FUNCTIONING CLUSTER III WELLS. MOBIL/PERTAMINA ARE PARTICULARLY
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ANXIOUS THAT THE OPENING NOT BE POSTPONED IN ORDER TO ALLAY ANY WORRIES THAT MAY HAVE ARISEN AMONG JAPENESE FINANCIERS FOR THE PROJECT.
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